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## Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Guardians:

And here we are, the last newsletter of the school year! I'd like to wish all our families and school staff a safe and enjoyable summer vacation. We have all worked extremely hard this year, both at an individual and whole community level. The growth I've seen in our students over the past 10 months is simply amazing, and a true testament to the care and hard work happening both at Cherry Hill and at home. As we continue to strengthen our bridge between school and home, I can say with certainty that our hard work has paid off. The growth we've seen in our children and school community is something we all need to celebrate. The time to reflect, relax and regain our energy is nearing. Well done everyone, I couldn't be prouder of the Cherry Hill School Community we all built this year.

A few upcoming dates:

- June 20<sup>th</sup>** PAC Schoolwide Pizza Party/Gr. 6 Cake
- June 21<sup>st</sup>**, Aboriginal Day
- June 25<sup>th</sup>** Month End Assembly (service awards), 10:30am
- June 27<sup>th</sup>** Farewell Assembly, 10:30am
- June 27<sup>th</sup>** Report Cards Go Home
- June 27<sup>th</sup>** Last Day of School
- Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>** First Day of New School Year, half day

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## Overdue Library Books

If your son or daughter has any library books at home, please have them returned to the library as soon as possible. Ms. Kaszonyi is still missing over 50 books and is hoping they can all be returned ASAP so that she can complete her inventory duties in a timely manner. Getting every book back from our student body really helps us with funding in the next school year as we can use money to buy new books as opposed to replacing lost ones. Thank you parents for your support with this.

## Participaction: Community Better Results

We would like to thank community members that made it our to our schoolwide dance last week. Gina Janus of Arch-Way Dance did an amazing job with our students.

A huge thanks to our Healthy Schools coordinator, Janice Walsh for her efforts in securing funding and organizing. Mission unfortunately did not win the Community Better Program. We have however been invited to submit pictures and videos what we did as a school and community, and could win a constellation prize. ParticipACTION was quite impressed by what we did here at Cherry Hill. Well done everyone! We intend on showing a video of the project at the farewell assembly.

## Thank You Cherry Hill PAC

Cherry Hill Elementary would like to say thank you to our amazing PAC for all their hard work this year. Their work with such things as hot lunches, fun and creative fundraisers, classroom supply funds, the carnival and schoolwide celebrations have made our school community a warm and caring place. A reminder to all parents that PAC is always looking for more volunteers. It is a great way to be part of your child's educational experience!

## Lost and Found

Our lost and found items have been placed on a table in front of the library. We encourage students and parents take a look at the table both before and/or after school over the remaining days of the school year. Anything left at the school will be donated.

## June Month End Assembly (Service Awards)

Our June Month End Assembly is scheduled for June 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am. At this assembly we will recognize our usual month end accomplishments including students of the month (Wisdom) and Cherry Hill's 'Five Great Things'. In addition to this, we will also be giving out service awards to our intermediate students. These awards are given to students that show exemplary contributions to our school community through volunteer work. These include such things as primary classroom monitoring, office monitoring, library helpers, green team volunteers and much more. Parents are encouraged to attend this assembly to share in our final acknowledgment of all the hard work that our intermediate students have put into making Cherry Hill a better place.

### Farewell Assembly

Our Farewell Assembly is scheduled for June 27<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30am. At our Farewell Assembly we will be saying goodbye to anyone that will be leaving us next year. This includes our Grade 6 students, retiring staff, and anyone else moving on for one reason or another. We will also have a musical performance organized by our music teacher, Ms. Midzain, and a farewell picture slideshow to celebrate our accomplishments this year. We encourage all parents to attend this assembly.

### Report Cards

As in past years, year end report cards will be sent home with students on the last day of school. Report cards that are not taken home will be mailed. We have had several requests from parents to pick up report cards earlier than the last day of school. While we will do our best to accommodate, we cannot make any promises that they will be ready for distribution earlier than the last day of school. If your child is unable to attend the last day of school, it will be promptly mailed home. Also, please note that Final Grade inserts will not accompany report cards this year. The report card that you receive at the end of the year is the Final Grade report card. While teachers will report on what was learned in third term, the overall grade is a reflection of learning throughout the entire school year. This is a departure from usual reporting procedures in our district and has been implemented as it's more in line with the new reporting guidelines directed by the Ministry of Education. If you have any questions about this, please contact the office.

### Supplies for Next Year

Please note that our supply lists will not be changed this year. They are available on our website or in paper format from our office. Please keep in mind these are only basic supply lists, and classroom teachers may request additional supplies at the beginning of the year.

### 2019-20 School Year Start-Up & Class Placement

As in other years, I will email a start-up/welcome back letter to all families in the first week of August. The letter will outline start-up procedures for next year. The tentative plan is for students to go to their new classrooms on the first day of school. Class lists will be posted at the main entrance of the school by 7:30am on the first day of school. I'd like to thank all parents for input regarding class placement for next year. We've done our very best to accommodate requests, but due to many competing factors that influence placement, we cannot make any promises.



Division 3 students showing off their Young Entrepreneur Fair projects.



Primary students at our sport day showing off their ribbons.



Community Better Program schoolwide dance with Gina Janus!